

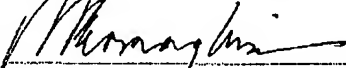
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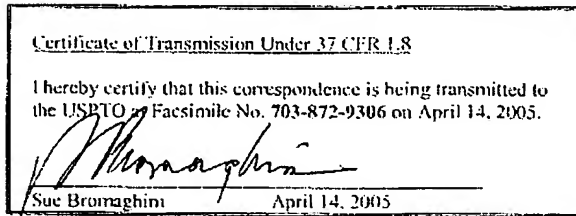
Attached is the following document for filing in the above-referenced application:

- **Amendment**, in response to the Office Action dated January 14, 2005, for which no fee is due.

Authorization is hereby made to charge Deposit Account No. 50-2664 any fees attendant with this matter.

Respectfully submitted,


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AMENDMENT

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This is in response to the Office Action dated January 14, 2005, setting a period for response expiring on April 14, 2005.

Amendments to the Specification are not being made.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings are not being made.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.

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